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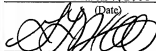
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AMENDMENT**Mail Stop Amendment**

Commissioner for Patents

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action transmitted November 8, 2007, please reconsider the above-identified application in light of the following amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.